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In re Application of: Douglas M. Albert,  
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Examiner: David E. Graybill

Group Art Unit: 2814

Serial No.: 09/190,378

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For: METHOD FOR THINNING  
SEMICONDUCTOR WAFERS  
WITH CIRCUITS AND WAFERS  
MADE BY THE SAME

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**REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT OR,  
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Dear Sir:

Applicant recently received the attached Notice of Abandonment and respectfully submits the herein Request For Withdrawal Of Notice Of Abandonment Or, In The Alternative, Petition To Revive.

As set forth in more detail in the attached Declaration of Joseph C. Andras, the case should not have gone abandoned as the Applicant filed a timely Response on October 22, 2001. It appears that the Patent Office simply did not receive such response (presumably in light of the mail-related issues of late).

Applicants respectfully request that the abandonment be withdrawn.

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If necessary, however, Applicants request that this paper be treated as a Petition to Revive on the basis that the application was unavoidably abandoned as provided for by Subsection (a) of Rule 137. In that event, please charge any related fees, including the petition fee required by 37 CFR § 1.17(l), and refund any overpayment to our deposit account no. 01-1960.

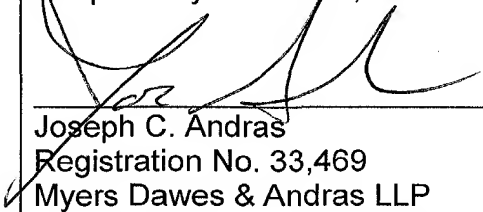
Thank you for your consideration.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231 on December 14, 2001

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